Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) No,

(*b*) No.

(*c*) to (*f*) In view of the answer to question (*a*) these do not arise.

The Chief Engineer.

98. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many years' service the Chief Engineer has in the Electrical Department;

(*b*) whether he has served either as a departmental head or otherwise in any place in a department other than the Electrical Department and like one he is now holding; and

(*c*) if so, the place or places and the years he so served ?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) None.

(*b*) He held the position of Superintending Engineer in the Madras Government Service.

(*c*) Government do not consider it necessary to give a history of the services of Mr. Truscott prior to his appointment as Chief Engineer by this Government.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know from Government whether they have published a history of services about their officers ?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Yes.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether in the case of officers whose services were borrowed, their period of service is shown in the history of services ?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Not their service elsewhere.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know, whether the previous services of this officer will count for pension ?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: The present Chief Engineer does not get any pension.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether this Government is giving any contribution towards his pension ?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: No, Sir.

Death caused by electric shock.

99. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to State:

(*a*) whether the Electrical Engineer has given a reply that no deaths were caused by electric shock when I made a reference to it in my speech during the discussion of the demand for grants for Electrical Department at the last Budget Session of the Council.

(*b*) whether an employee in the power house at Kottayam died of electric shock soon after the above statement was made by the Electrical Engineer;

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(*c*) whether two persons engaged in concrete work in the Paillvassal tunnel died of electric shock from the current discharged by the wires used for lighting the tunnel and whether many others became senseless as a result of the same ; and

(*d*) how many persons have died of electric shock till now since the last Budget Session?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Two died and two others got slight injuries due to electric shock.

(*d*) Three.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam : മൂന്നുപേർ മരിച്ചു എന്നു കാണുന്നു. ഇതിലേക്കു ഉത്തരം തയ്യാറാക്കിയതു എന്നാണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

Rao Bahadur Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai ; ഇലക്ട്രിക്കൽ എഞ്ചിനീയരുടെ ലാറ്റർകിട്ടിയതു് ജൂലൈ ഫർ-ന്ത-യാണ്. അതുകൊണ്ടു് ആ തീയതിക്കുമുമ്പു് തയ്യാറാക്കിയതായിരിക്കണം.

Lands left fallow during the Kanni crop of 1111.

100. ***Mr. V. S. Arumukham Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether lands were left completely fallow during the Kanni crop of 1111 in the taluks of Tovala and Agastisvaram ;

(*b*) if so, the reason for the same ;

(*c*) the extent of such lands ;

(*d*) whether they published any proceedings restricting the area of cultivation for the Kanni crop of 1111 within the commanded area of the Kodayar project ;

(*e*) whether the Government called for reports relating to the fallow lands for the Kanni crop of 1111 in the taluks of Tovala and Agastisvaram ; and

(*f*) if so, whether they will lay on the table a copy of the reports ?

Mr K. N. Kesava Pillai : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Owing to scarcity of rainfall and the non-supply of water from the Kodayar Reservoir.

(*c*) Roughly 1814·63 acres in the Tovala taluk and 9566 37 acres in the Agastisvaram taluk.

(*d*) No. But owing to shortage of water in the reservoir, a Press Communique was issued by Government to the effect that the Left Bank Channel will be opened after 18-10-1110 to let water into tanks only for supply to Ayacut lands already cultivated in order to save the crops already sown.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) No. The reports are confidential.

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